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SUBJ: LIBERATION ARMY DAILY REPORTEDLY WARNS AGAINST SPREADING
RUMORS ON MILITARY TRANSFERS

1. ACCORDING TO SOVIET EMBOFF, A RECENT ISSUE OF THE RESTRICTED CIRCULATION LIBERATION ARMY DAILY CARRIED A FRONT-PAGE ARTICLE WARNING UNNAMED PERSONS WITHIN THE ARMY AGAINST SPREADING RUMORS ABOUT POSSIBLE TRANSFERS OF RANKING MILITARY COMMANDERS. ASSUMING THAT SUCH AN ARTICLE WAS PRINTED, THE LIKELY TARGETS WOULD BE THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FLURRY OF RUMORS SURROUNDING PEKING MR COMMANDER CHEN HSI-LIEN, SINKIANG MR COMMANDER YANG YUNG, AND CANTON MR COMMANDER HSU SHIH-YU. THE ARTICLE SUPPOSEDLY NOTED POINTEDLY THAT DECISIONS ON TRANSFERS OF MILITARY COMMANDERS MUST BE MADE BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MILITARY COMMISSION OF THE PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE -- HUA KUO-FENG -- AND BY NO OTHER.

2. COMMENT: THE SOVIET EMBOFFSAID THAT HE HAD NOT SEEN THE ARTICLE IN QUESTION BUT HAD LEARNED ABOUT IT FROM A VIETNAMESE EMBOFF -- WHO
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DID NOT OFFER THE NEWSPAPER WE THINK THE STORY WORTH NOTING BUT RATHER DUBIOUS; IT STRIKES US AS HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT THE LIBERATION ARMY DAILY, WHICH HAS A LARGE CIRCULATION AND OFTEN FALLS INTO THE HANDS OF FOREIGNERS, WOULD ADDRESS SUCH A DELICATE SUBJECT IN SO CANDID A MANNER
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